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DETAILED ACTION

Response to Amendment

The reply filed on March 17, 2006 is not fully responsive to the prior Office Action because of the following omission(s) or matter(s): the applicant has elected species 1 and has indicated that claims 1-18 read on that species. However, it would appear that claims 14-17 do not apply to species 1 since the claims do not recite a film formation method of forming silicon oxide. Rather, the silicon oxide is provided as a substrate and the claim recites a film formation method of forming another material. See 37 CFR 1.111. Since the above-mentioned reply appears to be *bona fide*, applicant is given **ONE (1) MONTH or THIRTY (30) DAYS** from the mailing date of this notice, whichever is longer, within which to supply the omission or correction in order to avoid abandonment. EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD MAY BE GRANTED UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a).

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Scott Geyer whose telephone number is (571) 272-1958. The examiner can normally be reached on weekdays, between 10:00am - 6:30pm.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Michael Lebentritt can be reached on (571) 272-1873. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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